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Soviet Troops Reach Rumanian Border

Pursue Germans Retreating Across River

MOSCOW, March 17.

Soviet troops have already reached the Dniester at several points, and the Germans are retreating across the river at Mogilev Podolski. The Russians are close on the heels of the retreating Germans.

Mogilev Podolski is on the railway from Binnetsa to Jassy in Rumania, fifty miles south-west of Vinnitsa. Jassy is believed to be Manstein's headquarters.

Dniester point has been reached by mobile units of Marshal Ivan Koniev's second Ukranian army group in advance which is now attaining thunderbolt velocity.

"Cool wind from the Dniester and the Carpathian mountains is blowing in our faces", said the latest frontline dispatch to the "Pravda". Around Proskurov, the battle is like a giant mill slowly grinding the German forces to powder. North-east of the town, the thunder of Soviet guns never ceases from dawn to dusk. Large-scale German counter-attacks are being launched in an effort to hold its vital bastion in the defence line befor the Dniester. At Vinnitsa, the German defences are being overwhlmed, as the Red Army forces flow forward like a river in spring flood.

Two hundred miles to the south where the last Germans in trap east of Nikolaiev have been killed or taken prisoner, General Rodion Malinovsky's forces are now concentrating their assault on the Black Sea port of Nikolaiev itself. One Soviet correspondent described the state of the roads there as "unimaginable" but somehow guns are being pushed forward to keep up with the infantry. There is increasing panic among the Germans as the Red Army tanks operate across their lines of communications, have the latest despatch to the "Izvestia". Every German in the trap who refused to surrender was killed. The river Dnieser forms the frontier of Bessarabia and is the present border of the Rumanian te ! tory.—Reuter.

Year's R. I. For Leading Procession On Independence Day

POONA, March 16.

The Resident Magistrate of Khed today sentenced M. M. Shindekar to one year's rigorous imprisonment and K. M. Madhwe to six months' rigorous imprisonment for having taken out a procession on January 26, Independence Day and performing flag salutation ceremony.

Six others arrested in this connection were released on bail on their giving a guarantee of good conduct in future.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

PUCHEU'S APPEAL REJECTED

ALGIERS, March 17: The French Military Court of Appeal to-day rejected the appeal against the death sentence imposed on Pierre Pucheu, the former Vichy Minister of Interior.—Reuter.

STALIN'S ORDER OF THE DAY

MOSCOW, March 17: M. Stalin in an order of the day announces the capture of Dubno.—Reuter.

KING PETER TO WED

LONDON, March 17: It is learned on good authority that the wedding of King Peter of Yugoslavia and Princess Alexandria of Greece is likely to take place within the next few days.—Reuter.

PANDEMONIUM IN BENGAL ASSEMBLY

Govt. Party Comes To Blows With Opposition

CALCUTTA, March 17.

Members came to blows in the Bengal Legislative Assembly to-night on the occasion of the voting of the budget demand under "General Administration".

The incident occurred before the Chair rose to put the cut motions to vote. Certain Government Party members objected to two opposition members sitting by the side of another member in the Ministerialist Party back benches. Thereupon, the Chair requested the members to return to their respective blocks. In the meantime, three or four Government Party members had rushed to that part of the house where these two Opposition members were sitting, and a melee ensued. Jostling pushing and confusion prevailed in that part of the house for some time, in the midst of which the Chair suspended the business of the house for half-an-hour. Leaders of different parties intervened and separated the members involved.—A. P.

U. S. FILE ANTI-TRUST SUIT AGAINST I. C. I.

NEW YORK, March 16.

An anti-trust suit was filed in New York to-day against Chemical Industries Limited and its New York Controlled Company, two American export associations and 13 manufactures. They are accused by the United States Department of Justice of restraint of trade.

Solvay Et Cie, formerly of Brussels and now of London, I. G. Farben of Germany, Solvay Process Company and American Potash and Chemical Corporation are named also.

The United States Attorney General Mr. Francis Biddle said the suit alleged that the defendants have conspired to allocate and maintain exclusive marketing areas and export quotas throughout the world, eliminating competition by means of illegal contracts, agreements and understanding.—Reuter.

Congress Triumphs In Ahmedabad Municipal Election

AHMEDABAD, March 17.

The Congress has captured all the 52 non-mohamedan seats in the general election to the Ahmedabad Municipality defeating the Royists, Ambedkarites and Independents who secured very poor voting.

An attempt is reported to have been made to set fire to one of the following booths while it was under construction. The Municipal Fire Brigade put out the fire.—A. P.

CONGRESS PARTY SELECTS NAGINDAS FOR MAYORALTY

At a meeting of the Congress Municipal Party at the Corporation Hall, on Friday evening, Mr. Nagindas T. Master (now in detention) was recommended as a Congress candidate for the forthcoming Mayoral election of the Bombay Municipal Corporation Mr. K. F. Nariman, was elected to preside over the Party meeting.

Other candidates having withdrawn, only Mrs. Leelavati Munshi contested and, it is understood, in the voting that ensued, Mr. Nagindas Master got 30 votes, while Mrs. Munshi secured 14.

The Mayoral election will come off early next month.

U. S. MAY BREAK WITH FINLAND

Takes Grave View Of Rejection Of Peace Terms: Sweden Threatens To Stop All Aid

WASHINGTON, March 16.

Serious consideration is being given by the American Government to the possibility of breaking off relations with Finland according to reliable reports here tonight.

The State Department has already indicated that it takes the gravest view of Finland's rejection of the Russian peace terms.

Astonishment is felt here that the Finnish Government has not immediately accepted the modified Russian proposals, says a despatch from Reuter's special correspondent, Stockholm.

The modifications consist in the Soviet Government agreeing, firstly, to the demand for the base of Hangoe at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland, instead of Petsamo, the Arctic port and centre of the nickel mining industry, although Petsamo was never in Finnish territory before the Treaty of Dorpat in 1920.

Secondly, to substitute the request for "isolation" of German troops instead of their internment.

Thirdly, to give the assurance that no repatriation of former Soviet citizens of Finnish origin and Estonians, who have found refuge in Finland, would be requested. These terms are regarded in Stockholm as extremely generous.

Authoritative Swedish circles consider the concessions show that if the Finnish delegation went to Moscow it could doubtless obtain there even greater concessions. Political circles believe it likely that the Foreign Committee of the Swedish Parliament will instruct the Swedish Minister, M. Christian Guenther to redouble his efforts for peace.

The demand for an energetic public declaration, in the sense that if the Finns do not make peace no aid of any sort may be expected from Sweden, is already being voiced both in political quarters and in the Swedish press. Responsible Swedes are following developments in Helsinki with what one important Swedish personality qualified as "increasing astonishment and inaugnation."

The suspicion is spreading in Stockholm that some of the most important members of the Finnish Government—and some observers go even higher still—are deliberately sabotaging the peace effort by exciting public feelings so as to be able to say later, "We could not take peace because of public opinion."

PARLIAMENT NOT TOLD OF MODIFIED RUSSIAN TERMS

There is a persistent report in Stockholm—though no confirmation is available—that at Tuesday's meeting of the Finnish Parliament, the Finnish Government deliberately failed to inform it that Russian conditions had been modified. This is the explanation now given here to the mysterious sentence in a Helsinki newspaper accusing the Government of withholding information from the people's representatives. —Reuter.

Finnish Reply To Moscow

STOCKHOLM, March 17: The Swedish newspaper "Allehanda" reported to-day: "It is learned from Helsinki that the Finnish reply has been sent to Moscow."

Reuter's Special Correspondent in Stockholm cabled that confirmation of this report is not yet available but if it is correct, it does not necessarily mean that the reply went direct to Moscow. Political quarters in Stockholm say that it is possible that the reply would be first of all be examined by the Swedes, and if necessary, be returned to Helsinki for redrafting before definitely being forwarded to Moscow.

The "Allahanda" also forecasted that if negotiations with Russia were broken off, the American Charge d'Affaires in Helsinki would possibly signify to the Finnish Government breach of United States diplomatic relations with Finland.—Reuter.

U.S.A. COTTON ACREAGE: The "Journal of Commerce" estimates the 1944 cotton acreage at 21,933,000 which is the smallest since 1895.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

I C C March highest 451-1/2 lowest 448, closing 448; I C C May highest 452, lowest 448, closing 448; I C C July highest 457, lowest 453-1/2 closing 453-1/2; I C C Sept. highest 459-1/2 lowest 456, closing 456.

IRELAND PUTS UP UNITED FRONT

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 17

Dublin is under the threat of economic isolation from the rest of the world. Eire may scrap party politics and form a National Government. Political circles are at present buzzing with rumours.

The Fianna Fail, Fine Gael, labour and farmers are uniting for the first time in Eire's history to form a coalition.

NATION BACKS DE VALERA

(From Our Correspondent.)

DUBLIN, March 16.

Opposition Backbencher Sir John Esmonde congratulated in the Dail Mr. De Valera for his "Dignified reply to the most reasonable request".

Mr. Cosgrave on behalf of the opposition party said, if certain events took place and they were unable to run their transport as at present, he was confident, they could meet the situation and bring foodstuffs into the towns cities but Government should take steps immediately to meet the situation. Mr. William Norton, leader of the Labour Party said the reply sent to America was not merely a reply of the Government party but of the United Nations. It reflected sentiments which every Irishman and woman felt, the standard dictated, solely in Irish interests."

HUNGER MAKES GRADUATE STEAL

KARACHI, March 17

Salim Raza, described as a graduate of Aligarh University and the son of a prominent businessman of Cawnpore, was to-day sentenced by a Karachi Magistrate to three months' rigorous imprisonment on a charge of stealing a bicycle from the City Railway station.

The accused pleaded guilty to the charge. He said he was unemployed and was compelled to commit the theft because he had no money even to buy a morsel of food.—A. P.

U. S. BOMBERS ATTACK VIENNA

New Zealand And Indian Troops On Cassino Front

Mediterranean Allied Force Advance Headquarters March 17:—

To-day's Allied communique states: "LAND: New Zealand troops of the Fifth Army have been the spearhead of Assault on Cassino. They have fought their way through the town to its South-Western outskirts. New Zealand and Indian troops also have taken prominent features overlooking the town, despite strong opposition. Three small attacks on the Fifth Army Allied beachhead were repulsed by our troops. Eighth Army patrols were very active clashing with the enemy at many points and inflicting casualties.

AIR: Medium bombers of the Tactical Air Force yesterday attacked gun positions in the Ponticorvo Piedmonte area. At Espria, gus were bombed by fighter bombers. Coastal Air Force medium bombers attacked the docks at Leghorn and shipping on the west Italian coast was attacked by fighter-bombers. Last night, bombers again attacked the railway yards at Sofia. Three enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday.

Reuter adds that New Zealand troops which had earlier been fighting on the Eighth Army front were secretly transferred to the Cassino Sector recently. They were under their famous V. C. Commander Lieutenant General Sir Bernard Freyberg.

Marauder medium bombers of the United States Ninth Air Force attacked the rail centre at Creil north of Paris in a mid-afternoon operation to-day (Friday).

Advanced Allied Headquarters Mediterranean announces that flying fortresses attacked Vienna to-day (Friday).

Thousands of incendiaries and many medium-sized bombs were dropped during last night's raid by R. A. F. heavy bombers on Sofia. American pilots in spitfires scored a direct hit and tree near misses on a German destroyer off Spezia.

Sahani's Party To Editors

NEW DELHI, March 17

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu attended a reception given in honour of Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President, and members of the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference at the Chelmsford Club yesterday by Mr. J. N. Sahani, Editor of the "National Call". Mr. G. S. Bozman, Information Secretary, Mr. B. J. Kirchner, Chief Press Adviser, Pandit Hirdaynath Kunzru, Mr. K. C. Neogy, Mr. Ramrattan Gupta, Sardar Sant Singh and other members of the Central Legislature, were present.—United Press.

SIR SHANMUGHAM FOR BOMBAY

MADRAS, March 17: Sir R. K. Shanmugham Chettiar, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed to survey the facilities of scientific and industrial researches existing in India, left Madras this evening by the Bombay Mail for Bombay to preside over the first meeting of the Committee to be held in Bombay on March 20.—A. P.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MAY)

New York, March 17

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To-day's opening	20.78
Difference	+.02
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Difference	—.04

CHARGE-SHEET AGAINST PUNJAB CONGRESS CHIEF

No Question Of Release: "Govt.'s Intention Not To Be Disclosed"

LAHORE, March 17.

In the Punjab Assembly to-day, Mir Maqbool Mahomood, Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, replying to a question revealed that Mian Iftikhar Uddin M.L.A., President of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee had been served with a charge-sheet giving reasons of his detention but he had so far given no reply to it. Mian Sahib, he added, was suffering from dental trouble and was being treated at the Punjab Dental Hospital in Lahore.

In reply to another question whether the Government intended to release him the Parliamentary Secretary said that the Government's intention could not be disclosed.—A. P.

"Vishvas" To Stop Publication

SANGLI, March 17: Mr. S. T. Mali, Printer and Publisher of the local Marathi Weekly "Vishvas", in yesterday's issue of the paper expressed unconditional apology to Government for the publication of a report and comment in the paper regarding the Sangli police force, following which the editor and the two joint editors were arrested. Mr. Mali has also announced his intention to suspend publication of the paper in view of the demand for a security of Rs. 500.—A. P.

TWO YEARS FOR BOMB-MAKING

MIRAJ, March 17: Two persons of Malgaon have been sentenced to a term of two years' R.I. each for making a dangerous bomb weighing 20 lbs. and to another term of two years' R.I. each for having fourteen crude bombs in their possession.—United Press.

CONGRESS WORKERS JAILED AND FINED

ALMORA, March 17: Pandit Govindram Kala, Magistrate First Class, Almora, has pronounced judgment in the case in which two leading Congress workers of Almora District, namely, Mathura Datt Joshi, former inspector of the District Rural Development Association and Harkishan Pande, Manager Gauanath Vidya Pith, along with two others were standing their retrial under Section 149 I. P. C. and 35 D. I. R., for being members of an unlawful assembly and for cutting wire fencing in Gauanath Block Reserve Forest during the August disturbances of 1942. The Magistrate found the accused guilty and sentenced each of them to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 200.—A. P.

JAILED FOR CONGRESS BULLETINS

SURAT, March 17: On a charge of distributing Congress bulletins in the city, Narayandas Chunilal has been sentenced to undergo one month's R. I. and a fine of Rs. 100 or in default, one month's further R. I.—A. P.

MADANLAL PITTI ARRESTED

BOMBAY, March 17.

According to information received Mr. Madanlal Pitti, Bar-at-Law, the son of Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shivlal Motilal Pittie, member of the Council of State, was arrested this morning at 4-30 a.m. at his bungalow at Malabar Hill.

Four police officers and about half a dozen plain clothes men reached the bungalow while effecting the arrest.

It is alleged the arrest was made in connection with underground Congress activities.

Shanti Devi Pitti, the mother of Mandanlal Pitti, made Tilak on his forehead prior to his departure.—A. P.

PEOPLE UNDER DETENTION IN BENGAL

CALCUTTA, March 17.

The number of persons in detention in the Province as non-Political Security Prisoners upto January 31 totalled 2,539, said the Bengal Premier, Sir Nazimuddin, in reply to a question in the Bengal Legislative Assembly to-day. These persons, he added, had been detained with a view to preventing them from acting in any manner prejudicial to the Defence of British India, the public safety, the maintenance of public order and the efficient prosecution of the war. They had no fixed place of residence and no ostensible means of subsistence. No provision had, therefore, been made for their families and dependants as there was no provision for it in the Bengal Jail Code for this class of prisoners.

The Chief Minister informed the House that it had been decided to appoint a Retired District and Sessions Judge to review the cases of All Criminal Security Prisoners.

Sir Nazimudin further added in this connection that these prisoners were habitual criminals of the Goonda class whose being at large in Calcutta, Howrah and the Suburbs in the present black-out condition would be a very serious menace to the life and property of the innocent citizen. He regretted the necessity of keeping the men under detention and would certainly see that they were released as soon as it was safe to do so.—A. P.

Sir Shantiswarup Bhatnagar

NEW DELHI, March 17.

The "United Press" learns that a batch of Indian scientists will shortly be sent to England to visit and to study scientific research and development there. It is likely that Sir Shantiswarup Bhatnagar, Director of the Scientific Board and Industrial Research, will accompany the scientists visiting London this summer and accordingly his proposed visit to Chungking may be postponed.—United Press.

Throw Out Budget And Demand Elections

Rajaji Mobilises Forces At Govt. Headquarters To End Deadlock

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, March 17.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar addressed the Congress members of the Central Legislative Assembly this evening. He urged upon the members that they should throw out the Finance Bill and demand fresh general elections to the Central Legislature.

Rajaji also advised them to hold a convention of members of the Provincial Legislatures and the Central Legislature in order to make the same demand.

He is reported to hold the view that such a demand will be irresistible and the Government will be compelled to hold general elections of all legislators. This provides a move forward towards solving the deadlock.

Mr. Rajagopalachariar is also believed to hold the view that the League-Congress combination in the Central Assembly in throwing out the Budget will be utilized for some further understanding between the two major political parties and attempts will be made to demand replacement of the present Central Executive by popular leaders.

Critics, however, feel that the combination for throwing out the Budget stands on a different footing from an understanding for taking office both at Centre and in Provinces. Mr. Jinnah's demand for the acceptance of the principle of Pakistan as a "sine quanon" for any settlement is of such a fundamental character which a handful of Congress Members in the Central Assembly have neither the power nor the status to accept.

The demand for fresh elections is, however, common both to the League and the Congress and an agreement might be reached on that issue to throw out the Finance Bill, the first reading debate on which began this morning.

MRS. ASAF ALI PROCLAIMED OFFENDER

NEW DELHI, March 17.

There being possibility of no early arrest of Mrs. Aruna Asafali, the Additional District Magistrate of Delhi has declared her a proclaimed offender in a case under Rules 38 and 39 of the Defence of India Rules for writing prejudicial literature and giving publicity to the same.

The prosecution stated that the police recovered certain alleged prejudicial documents which were later certified by the Government examiner of questioned documents as written by Mrs. Asafali from the house of "Karol Bag" where a printing press had also been set up.—United Press.

Deposit Demanded From Karachi Press

KARACHI, March 17.

The District Magistrate of Karachi has, under the Press Emergency Powers Act, demanded a deposit of Rs. 500 from Mr. Balram Motwani before he could be declared the Keeper of the Azad Press (Sindhi daily, Karachi).

The reasons shown for the demand are that the applicant is a brother of Mr. Shewak Motwani who used to edit Congress bulletins was convicted and sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment under the Press and Registration Books act and that he himself has strong Congress sympathies and contact with persons who are members of the associations which have been declared unlawful.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S LEND-LEASE COMMITMENT

American Opinion Disfavours Relaxation

WASHINGTON, March 17: The lawmakers of both Houses of Congress looked askance to-day at diplomatic discussions to relax the British commitment to refrain from exporting materials similar to those obtained under lend-lease.

Here are some of the views: Senator Pat MacCarran: "It would be a complete violation of the spirit of lend-lease."

Representative Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee "I won't stand for relaxing Mr. Eden's pledge.

Senator B. K. Wheeler: "We should not permit countries receiving lend-lease goods to take away the markets of our own people."

Senator Ralph O'Brewster: "It would be difficult for the American people to understand such a relaxation."—Reuter.

Ranji Trophy Score

RAJKOT, March 17

In the semi-final of the Ranji Trophy match between N.I.C.A. and W. I.S.C.A. which commenced here today, N.I.C.A. were all out for 145 after the game had lasted 265 minutes.

Viceroy Reaches Delhi

NEW DELHI, March 17

His Excellency the Viceroy has returned to Delhi from tour.—A. P.

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Allies Land On Jap Coastal Flank In Arakan

Six Villages Captured

ARAKAN FRONT, March 17

It can now be disclosed, says the Associated Press correspondent, that British and west African troops have effected landings on the Japanese coastal flank in Arakan.

Their operations have been successful. Today they are holding six village fortresses.

The landing forces came in from the sea while the enemy tottered under the offensive which the Fourteenth Army started a week ago against his defensive line from the Bay of Bengal to the Kalapanzin River, about 18 miles long.

They did not meet any opposition from the enemy at the beach heads they established. The Japanese garrisons of the six villages taken were either killed or driven into the hills of the Mayu range.

British and West African Troops are all well dug in and strongly fortified. Ready for any counter-attacks from the enemy who is presented with Hobsons choice—either allow freedom of territory and operation to our landing forces on their flank and put up with harassment from them or divert some of their forces from the Razabil front, thereby weakening the already thin defence line, the landings were effected about 15 miles below Razabil.

Naval landing craft brought in the British.

Higher up the coast the West Africans moved across the wide river estuary to land from their Arakan built sampans.

These villages and others of the type are natural fortresses on the Arakan coast. Built on little islands of firm ground, their holders should in theory control the surrounding mangrove swamps and mudflats and the river approaches.

The British and West African tactics completely beat Jap fire power.

Kanyidan faces Dodan across a thousand yard wide neck of estuary. Along the water edge the villagers have been driven off by the Japs and in their paddy fields the Japs have built bunkers installed automatics and a 75 mm gun, and planned to hold both villages from this site with its wide field of fire.

Attack On Enemy Locomotives And Motor Transport In Southern Burma

NEW DELHI, March 17

During 15th March our troops on the coastal plain south of Maungdaw continued their operations under slight enemy artillery fire, says a 'communique' issued from Headquarters, South-east Asia Command.

In the area of the Tunnels on the Maungdaw-Buthidaung road, we made further progress towards these positions. Elsewhere to the east our patrols were active.

West African troops inflicted casualties on the Japanese in minor clashes in the Kaladan valley.

In the Chin hills, the enemy columns north of Tiddim and in the Kabaw valley continue to make progress.

Further to the east, in Northern Burma, airborne troops of the 14th army have been successfully landed in the rear of the Japanese.

On 15th March, U. S. medium bombers of the strategic air force, Eastern Air Command, attacked the Shweli bridge, in North Burma, scoring hits on both approaches.

ATTACK ON TWO BRIDGES

The next day, other mediums attacked the Nattalin and Minhla bridges in Southern Burma. Two spans of the former were knocked out of line and the approaches of the latter were damaged. An oil pumping station and a factory near the Minhla bridge also were damaged.

Dive-bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters of the Tactical Air Force, on the 15th and 16th March attacked objectives in the Kaladan, Arakan Chin Hills, Chindwin and North-west Burma. In this work the squadrons of the Indian Air Force have maintained a high standard of operational effort. Long-range fighters damaged more locomotives and motor transport in attacks on communications in Central and Southern Burma.

In air combats, one enemy aircraft was destroyed, two were probably destroyed, and three were damaged. From all these operations, one Allied aircraft is missing.—A.P.

A HUGE BRIDGE ACROSS GANGES

Bihar Government's Scheme Of Rupees 3-1/2 Crores

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, March 16.

Construction of a bridge across the Ganges fronting Patna and connecting with the northern districts of the Province is understood to have been approved by Post-war Provincial Communications Sub-Committee which concluded its sitting to-day, under the presidentship of the Development Adviser. The bridge which is designed to be about five miles long is estimated to cost three and a half crores of rupees. Alongside the construction of the bridge there will be a big programme of bridging on other important roads beyond the northern districts which are expected to cost two crores of rupees, out of the three crores allotted to the Province for road construction by the Engineers Conference held in Nagpur. Construction of the bridge has strategic significance and is expected to revolutionise the economic system and life of Bihar and other neighbouring provinces.

DISSOLUTION OF LEGISLATURES

Alleged Move For League Propaganda

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, March 16.

It is rumoured here that the Muslim League has decided to carry on propaganda all over India about demanding dissolution of the present Legislatures and holding fresh elections within Congress Provinces. The League legislators, it is further understood, has been asked by Mr. Jinnah to hold meetings in respective constituencies to pass resolutions demanding the same. The Bihar League leaders, it is learned, have issued instructions accordingly.

Withdraw Unwholesome 'Jowar' From Ration Shops

SURAT, March 17: A special meeting of the Surat Borough Municipality last evening passed a resolution protesting against the action of the rationing authorities in distributing "unwholesome" Jowar through the city ration shops.

The resolution demands that the bad Jowar should be withdrawn from the city shops immediately.

By another resolution, the Municipality has decided to name that part of the main road of the city from the Lal Gate to the Hope Bridge as "Quaid-e-Azam Mohamadali Jinnah Road.

NEW DELHI, March 17: Air Vice-Marshal H. Thomas, has been appointed Air Officer Commanding, India Command, and has just arrived in Delhi to take up his new appointment.—A. P.

INDIA'S STERLING BALANCES

The "Financial Times" features an article on the problem of India's Sterling Balances. It says one of the most remarkable and the most outstanding developments of the war is India's economic position. Untouched by direct hostilities, India has made one of the best financial bargains of the war. India is among the very few countries which have benefited financially from the war and yet correspondingly enjoys the unenviable distinction of having the biggest monetary inflation and the steepest rise in prices amongst members of the British Commonwealth.

The practical problem now is how can Britain meet her growing financial obligations to India. Surplus sterling will be available after the war to finance capital development and public works for hygiene and social amelioration. The extent of the importation of capital goods for industrial expansion must depend upon the respective Governments' view.

At first sight there is consolation that these sterling resources will assist full employment in certain British export industries, but unfortunately Britain would profit little or nothing from such employment.

Undeniably Britain's financial treatment of India has been most generous, but those who contend that India can in future retake in import of goods the price of a substantial part of her present war expenditure should remember that Britain cannot afford unlimited gratuitous export.—Reuter.

Frontier Akali Conference

PESHAWAR, March 17.

"We, the Sikhs of this Province, stand by the rule of complete independence and separate entity, and we belong to only one organisation, the Shiromoni Akali Dal", said Gyani Kartar Singh in his presidential address at the Provincial Akali Conference held at Pir Sabhak, near Nowshera.

He added that the Sikhs would never tolerate the dominance of any sister community and would always try to maintain their separate entity by getting rid of Hindu Congress in the Centre, and the Muslim Congress in this Province.—United Press.

MOVE FOR COLLEGE OF PHARMACY IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, March 17: With a view to considering the question of starting a college of Pharmacy in Bombay and to raise a fund for the purpose, a meeting of the members of the medical profession will be held under the auspices of the Medical Association at 4-30 p.m. at Seth Gordhandas Sunderdas Medical College, Parel, Bombay.

The meeting will also request the University of Bombay to appoint a committee of inquiry into the grievances of the Medical curriculum and system of medical examinations for the future.—United Press.

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Direction: MOHANSINHA, Music: K. C. DEY & KHAN MASTANA.

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31st WEEK

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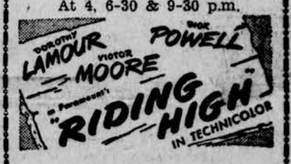
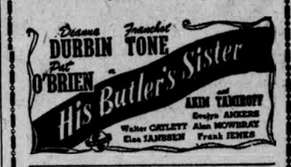


Sunday, 10-30 a.m.

"KISS THE BOYS GOODBYE" Mary Martin, Don Ameche.

FROM TUESDAY, March 21: Jamshedji Navroz Special!



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Sjt. Babubhai K. Merchant (left) the General Manager of J. C. Shah & Co, which has brought Kumari Jyuthika Ray time and again to provide a feast of divine melodies to Bombay music lovers and Sjt. Madhu Mehta (right). The stage supervisor of Kumari Jyuthika Ray's programme.

Durga Khote in 'Zamin' to-day at Minerva.

Drama Of Peasant Life To-day At Minerva

"Fashion" Coming To Roxy Next Week

CITY AND SUBURBS

TO-DAY

Hindu: Falgun Vad 8, 2000
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Avval 22, 1363
Parsi: Meher 16, 1313
Sunrise: 7-46 a.m. Sunset 7-48 p.m.
Hightide: 4-42, 18-37. Lowtide 11-25.—

To-day's Engagements

SARASWATI HIGH SCHOOL, LALBAGH: Annual Social Gathering to-day (Saturday) 5-30 p.m. on the School Terrace. Prof. R. P. Kar will preside.

SUBURBAN MUSIC CIRCLE SANTA CRUZ: A concert of Vocal Music by Saraswatibai Phaterphekar will be held to-day (Saturday) at 10 p.m. (S. T.) in the Vimalanand Koppikar Hall, Santa Cruz.

ORIENTAL GOVT. SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD.: The amount of new life assurance business written by the Oriental during the above year was: 58,012 Policies assuring Rs. 15,00,69,050. This figure while showing an increase of about Rs. 5-1/2 Crores in the sum assured over the figure for 1942 constitutes a new record for the company.

SOCIAL WORKERS' SOCIETY: The Annual General Meeting of the Social Workers' Society will be held to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. (S. T.) in the Social Service League Hall, Prarthana Samaj, Girgaum.

KARNATAK SANGHA: Prof. R. S. Mugali of Willingdon College, will give a talk in Kannada in the Premises of Karnatak Sangha, Samajgiri Sadan, Girgaum to-day (Saturday, at 6 p.m.

CHITRAPUR MATH SWAMI: His Holiness Shrimat Anandashram Swamiji of Chitrapur Math will arrive at "Anandashram" Sir Bhalchandra Road, Matunga, at 6 p.m. to-day (Saturday). There will be a procession of his disciples from Khodadad Circle, Dadar, to "Anandashram" from 5-30 to 6 p.m. via Vincent Road, Deodhar Road and Sir Bhalchandra Road. All Kanara Saraswats of Bombay-North are invited to join the procession.

DAVAR'S COLLEGE OF COMMERCE: The annual gathering of Davar's College of Commerce will be held at 4 p.m. (S. T.) to-day (Saturday) at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Public Hall when Sheth Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee, President, Indian Merchants' Chamber, will presice. The programme of events will include the Principal's Annual Report and Presidential Address and there will also be items of Instrumental and Vocal Music, Dances, Comic Skits etc. Prizes will be distributed by Mrs. Pranlal.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT: Course of Studies in International Relationship for High School and College teachers. The tenth lecture on "The Economics of War" by Prof. W. R. Natu, B.A., B.Sc. (Econ.) (Lond.), in the Lecture Hall of the University School of Economics on Saturday, the 18th March at 5 p.m.

FRIENDS OF SOVIET UNION: Meetings to-morrow (Sunday) at 10 a.m. at Orient High School, Lady Jamshedji Road, Dadar, Sardar Ali Jaffari on "Soviet Modern Literature" at 9 p.m. at Matunga Branch Office, Narayan Terrace, Opp. "Aurora" Matunga. Mr. N. K. Krishnan on "Nationalities in Soviet Union".

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: Acharya T. A. Venkateswara Dikshitar, will deliver a public lecture in Sanskrit on "Valmiki and Kalidasa, a Comparison" at the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday).

SAMBUDHANAND'S DISCOURSE: On Vedanta Philosophy Brahmasutra, to-day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Presscott Road.

BAND MUSIC AT VICTORIA GARDENS: Band Music at the Victoria Gardens to-day (Saturday) at 6-45 p.m. to 8-45 p.m. (S. T.), at St. Mary's Band.

MAYOR'S MEETING ON FOOD SITUATION: A meeting convened by the Mayor to discuss the food situation in the porvince will be held at the Municipal Corporation Hall tomorrow (Sunday) at 2-30 p.m. (N. S. T.

Selections For Today's Races

DANCING LILY AND TOOFAN MAIL PROBABLE WINNERS

From Our Racing Correspondent.)

Good-sized fields figure in the card drawn up for decision to-day at Mahaluxmi.

Dancing Lily and Toofan Mail are sure to attract the majority of punters, and on form possessed, they should win their respective events.

The following are my selections:—

1ST RACE: Mikhlif Jabir 1; Farasha 2; Night Hawk 3.

2ND RACE: Injustice 1; Carlyon 2; Call To Arms 3.

3RD RACE: Sukab Baghdad 1; King Hilal 2; Seventh Wonder 3.

4TH RACE: Pashwanji 1; Royal Princess 2; Square Deal 3.

5TH RACE: Blenheim 1; Sukab Ramzi 2; Indemnity 3.

6TH RACE: Prince Buland 1; Typhoon 2; Flashing Prince 3.

7TH RACE: Dancing Lily 1; Another Devil 2; Ayesha 3.

8TH RACE: Toofan Mail -; Cote D'Azur 2; Repartee 3.

9TH RACE Ala Honak 1; King Solomon 2; Jutland 3.

DARK FLUKES: Maha and Black Magic.

BY T. V. P.

Anand Brothers' maiden production 'Zamin' which is said to mark a bold departure from boy-meets-girl stories, will have its premiere to-day at Minerva.

Based on a screenplay by Pandit Shivkumar, the noted author of 'Bhakta Kabir' and directed by Pandit Anand Kumar, 'Zamin' recounts the story of simple peasants who, utterly ignorant of the modern capitalists civilization, fall an easy prey to a subtle trap and agree to part with their rich soil without anything in return.

Written and presented in an emotional strain 'Zamin' starring Durga Khote in the role of a peasant woman who loves her land more than anything else is said to provide an unforgettable experience to picture-goers. Apart from Durga Khote, David, Khurshed, Navin Yagnik and Raj Bishwas are cast in the principal roles in this strikingly different social drama.

'FASHION' ON 24TH AT ROXY

The enviable success of Fazli Brothers' latest hit 'Fashion' which has broken all records at such important stations as Delhi, Lucknow, Meerut, Agra, Rawalpindi, Amritsar, Peshawar, has aroused much interest among city cinegoers who are eagerly looking forward to its release next Friday at Roxy.

Produced and directed by S. F. Hasnain, the picture recounts in glittering style the effects of fashion on our social life and reveals for the first time on the screen the role of Fashion as a significant factor in our emotional and economic life.

Chandramohan, Sardar Akhtar and Sabitadevi are starred in "Fashion."

'MAHASATI ANASUYA' COMING TO KRISHNA

The three stars of 'Bharat Milap' Durga Khote, Shobhana Samarth and Shahu Modak are brought again together in Sunrise Pictures' latest mythological hit 'Mahasati Anasuya' which is booked next attraction for Krishna.

Mahasati Anasuya as the very title indicates recounts the popular story of the most revered woman of mythology—Anasuya whose piety was tested by the three Gods Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh.

'NAYA TARANA' DANCES

The record response to the dance competition announced last week in local papers testifies to the unusual interest created by the dance sequence in Navyug's 'Naya Tarana' now running in 7th week at Central. Ever since the release of the picture, these dances have formed the topic of debate not because of their execution, which everyone admits to be excellent but because of their form and content. Especially the first aance, which is rather frank in gestures commonly understood by masses, has been severely criticised.

The second dance by Snehprabha in direct contrast to the first is hailed as pure and sublime. Whatever the difference of opinion over these dances there is no gainsaying that they add zest to the grim realism that characterizes the second half of the film which is remarkable both as entertainment and as a picture of contemporary life.

'MAZAQ' EARNS A WELCOME

Zahur Rajah's comedy 'Mazaq,' running at Kamal Talkies, is one of the very agreeable surprises of the season. Frankly, few had expected it to be upto much; that was probably because Zahur Rajah is not a much publicised man. Actually, 'Mazaq' has a healthy story and it is breezily told with plenty of appropriate comedy and delightful music. It is the kind of film that any reputable studio may be proud of.

'MALI' BOOKED FOR NOVELTY

'Mali' the second production of Rajkamal Kalamandir in two versions Hindustani and Marathi is ready for release, and is announced as the next attraction at Novelty Talkies which is being specially redecorated and renovated for its premiere.

POPULAR OLD-TIMERS

'Dost' at Imperial, 'Shankar-Parvati' at Royal Opera House, 'Taqdeer' at Roxy, 'Shakuntala' at Swastik, 'Ramrajya' at Super, 'Salma' at Novelty, 'Bhaktaraj' at Lamington and 'Hamari Baat' at Majestic, are popular old-timers in town.

City Journalists To Meet Iranian Mission

Under the auspices of the Journalists Association of India, city journalists will meet the Iranian Cultural Mission at 6-30 p.m. on Monday 20th inst., at the Journalists Club, Prospects Chamber Annexe. The meeting is open only to journalists.

PRARTHANA SAMAJ 77TH ANNIVERSARY: To-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. Opening Divine Service by Mr. G. L. Chandavarkar, to-morrow (Sunday) at 3-30 p.m. Children's Gathering, Prof. Gargeebai Bhatavadekar presiding, 5-30 p.m. Divine Service by Prof. R. Pratapgiri.

BOMBAY SPIRITUAL CENTRE: There will be a programme of discourse in Marathi by Sri. D. V. Sabnis, on Jnaneshwari at 5 p.m. to-day (Saturday). To-morrow (Sunday) there will be a programme of discourse in Marathi by Sri. M. R. Gopalacharya, of Vani Vihar Vidyalaya on "Dhyana Yoga" at 5 p.m.

MUSHAIRA: Gujarat Gazal Mandal will hold a Gujarati Mushaira for to-night (Saturday) at 10 p.m. to be held at Anjuman-e-Islam Hall, Hornby Road.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We must realise that, however great our civilisation might be, it will crumble to dust unless we have adequate power to maintain it.

—Rabindranath Tagore.

The Bombay Chronicle

GOVERNMENT AND THE PRESS

The Government of India's reply to the resolutions passed at the plenary session of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference held at Madras in January last shows that they are determined not to relax their repression of the press. It is significant that on the very day that one reads this reply one also reads in the papers the reports of the arrest of the Editor of the "Nagpur Times" for publishing some news about a security prisoner, of the forfeiture of the security deposit of Rs. 1,000 of "Sansar Samachar" of Karachi, and of a warrant issued against the Editor of "Hind Samachar" of Nawabshah for publishing an Independence Day number. The restrictions on several other papers are still continuing and the position of the Nationalist press in general continues to be attended with risks on all sides.

The main resolution of the Madras plenary session of the Editors' Conference, after protesting against the prevention, on political grounds, of the free transmission of press messages and of statements by responsible leaders on the internal situation, expressed the view that censorship should be governed only by considerations of military security without the importation of political or other factors; and further, that all cases of deletion or suppression of messages should be placed before the Central Press Advisory Committee with the reasons for such action. But Government hold the amazing view that what is "unpalatable for Government will for that very reason, be highly palatable to enemy propaganda agencies and 'prima facie' prejudicial to India's prosecution of the war" and that "it is on that ground that justification for censorship has rested and must continue to rest." It is silly to assume that what is unpalatable must necessarily be palatable to the enemy and therefore prejudicial. The Government of India, like all other Governments commit errors now and then. The exposure of the errors and their consequent correction may be highly unpalatable to Government, but what will be most palatable to the enemy is not the public criticism of the error and its correction but persistence in it in spite of its exposure and public discontent. It is a pity Government refuse to accept even the modest suggestion that cases of deletion and suppression of press messages should be placed before the Central Press Advisory Committee. They argue that "the Press Advisory System exists for the settlement of disputes between Government and the Press in India". The suppression of messages is itself an encroachment on the freedom of the press and to that extent a cause for a dispute. It is gross injustice to hide the cause from the very agency admitted to be for the purpose of considering disputes between the Press and the Government.

The Government of India also plead that "for constitutional reasons" they cannot intervene if any Provincial Government do not duly consult Press Advisory Committees. They would stick to the present practice under which Provincial Governments are made aware of the general policy of the Government of India with regard to important matters of All-India interest, while they are left to secure the execution of that policy, preferably by agreement with the Press. If the Government of India have the will to do justice to the Press they know the way to influence the Provincial Governments in spite of constitutional difficulties. But their general policy of repression shows they have not the will to be just to the Nationalist Press. The Editors' Conference should not allow the Government of India's reply to its resolutions to be the last word on the subject.

The Right Way

The European Group's cut motion in the Central Assembly was rejected without a division probably because its purpose was not clear enough. The mover, Mr. Inskip, said that his object was to urge the supply of more consumed goods as an anti-inflationary measure. But it was not clear whether the larger supply was to be ensured mainly by the import of foreign goods or by larger production in India. Several Indian members including Mr. N. M. Joshi and Mr. Hussainbhai Lalji supported the motion on the assumption that indigenous production was meant to be increased intensively. Sir V. N. Chandavarkar bore testimony to the impression created in the country that India would be left in the cold so far as industrial development was concerned and that the dollar and sterling balances would be consumed in the importation of consumers' goods instead of in encouraging their production here with the capital and scientific talent available in the country. If the necessary machinery is not available in the country it should, of course, be imported and due priority should be given for the purpose. These views have been repeatedly pressed on Government but the latter's response is far from satisfactory. If, however, the different Indian parties are united at least on this subject of absolutely common interest, it should be possible to compel Government to bend to public opinion.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Finnish Intransigence

The virtual rejection of the Soviet peace terms by the Finnish Government has created something of an international sensation. The terms themselves could not have been more generous and the Soviet Government has further done its best to accommodate Finnish scruples and obvious difficulties That, in spite of such leniency displayed by its overwhelmingly powerful adversary, the Finnish Government should have failed to utilise this golden opportunity to get out of the war is extremely revealing. What little sympathy Finland enjoyed so long in the democratic world is bound to disappear by such intransigent and almost suicidal conduct. The United States, which has always entertained a sentimental friendship for the Finnish people, is said to have taken a grave view of the rejection and it may even go to the length of breaking off all relations with Finland. More significant than this is the reaction of Sweden, where both the Government and the people are amazed by the turn of events. It is being openly suggested that Finns should be bluntly asked not to expect any help from Sweden unless they make immediate peace with Russia. But one wonders if the Finnish people themselves have any free choice in the matter. It is even feared in Swedish circles that they are actually kept in the dark about the generous modifications made by Russia since the first draft of armistice was handed over. In view of all this the Finnish Government seems to be headed for a first-class tragedy—unless it is persuaded to retrace its steps in the nick of time.

A Buddha Film

It is amazing to learn that the State Council of Ceylon has passed a motion requesting the Board of Ministers of Ceylon to take steps with the Government of India for the prohibition of the preparation of a film of "Life of Lord Buddha" "as it is liable to wound the religious feelings of the Buddhists all over the world." The producers of the picture declare that they are in possession of documents testifying to the support to such a film by Buddhist learns in various countries, including the representative of the Government of Ceylon in India. Buddhists have never objected to the status or picture of Buddha, but have rather encouraged them. If a Buddha film is well produced it is sure to be very inspiring, not only to Buddhists, but also to all men capable of appreciating the life and teachings of this great Master. The whole world will be the better for a wider appreciation of those teachings.

"Grow More Food"— Or Cotton?

Last year the Government of India through the various official and non-official broadcasting agents and the National War Front-wallas, raised clarion-call for "Grow More Food" campaign and declared that the agriculturists should refrain as much as possible from growing such commodities as cotton, tea, etc., and should help the war-efforts by growing more food. The Government declared that the growth of unwanted cotton should be restricted and hence the new hedge-contract by putting up a standard of 3/4" staple was introduced. From these declarations of the Government, people naturally inferred that priority would be given to the growth of food-grains and that only the Standard quality of cotton would be allowed to be grown. People waited for the results of the Government's policy.

The results became manifested after a while in two forms. The first was the tragedy of Bengal and the country-wide famine, while the second was the 10 per cent increase in the cotton-crop of the country as compared with that of the last year. The Standard Staple Cotton policy of the Government also received a self-hit knock when a very large percentage of January 1944 Jarila tenders were rejected and an alarmingly high proportion of the product was found much below the standard. Now we find the holders full-up to their neck with the accumulated stock of unwanted cotton. This failure of the Government, which in a free country would have hit at the prestige of the rulers, is due mainly to two reasons. The first is the 'care-free' attitude of the Government towards the growth of cotton particularly in C. P. and Berar and Broach, while the second is due to the improper method of distributing the seeds adopted by the Department of Agriculture of the Government. The growth of a large quantity of short-staple cotton, particularly in C. P. Berar and Broach, is the direct result of the distribution of bad seeds. Had the distribution of proper seeds for Standard Staple cotton been attended to carefully, the growth would not have been as burdensome as it is to-day.

One is, therefore, apt to be suspicious about the sincerity of the "Grow More Food" campaign of the Government in the light of the above-mentioned circumstances and if the confidence of the people regarding the food-policy of the Government is shaken, the possibility of a serious situation in future cannot be beyond conception. It is, therefore, in the interest of the people of the country that the Government, for the next season, remedy the mistakes of the past. This can be achieved in two ways firstly by reducing the Cotton-Crop area to half and secondly by allowing only the Standard Seed for the Standard cotton to be sown.

N. H. B.

R. A. F. Officers' Murder Echo

Two Accused Acquitted In Appeal

PATNA, March 17.

Mr. Justice Varma and Mr. Justice Shearer of the Patna High Court delivered judgment to-day in the Fatwa murder appeal acquitting Peary Dusadh and Jhoparia Dusadh who were sentenced to death and commutting the death sentence on Bihari Mahan to life transportation.

Their Lordships have confirmed the death sentence on Muran Dusadh, Binda, Jhathera, Trijugi, Pandey and Depajuddin, and life transportation on Imprit Dusadh and Bulkhi.

The case arose out of a brutal murder of two R.A.F. Officers, Messrs. Smith and Stolvin, at Fatwa, E.I.R., while they were travelling by the U. P. Express from Howrah on August 13, 1942.—United Press.

"Elders" Tributes To Ramdas Pantulu's Memory

NEW DELHI, March 17.

Tributes to the memory of the late Mr. Ramdas Pantulu who was a sitting member were paid by the President and Members in the Council of State this morning.

The President said Mr. Ramdas Pantulu was one of the ablest members of the House he had come across during his 40 years of public life. He had rendered very valuable services to the country and whenever he spoke, he spoke with moderation and cogency. The Leader of the House, Sir Mohammad Usman, Sir Jogender Singh, Sir David Devadoss, Sir K. Ramunni Menon, Mr. Motilal, Pandit Kunzru, Mr. C. E. Jones and Sir A P. Patro associated themselves with the feelings expressed by the President.—A. P.

DEFICIT BUDGET FOR FRONTIER PROVINCE

PESHAWAR, March 17.

Budget estimates presented to-day for the year 1944-45 in the Frontier Assembly by Sardar Abdurrab Khan, Finance Minister, disclosed a deficit of Rs. 2.65 lakhs Revenue receipts are estimated at Rs. 226.82 against an estimated expenditure of Rs. 229.47 lakhs.

Part of this deficit will be covered by additional revenues from the doubling of the entertainment tax if the proposed measure in this respect which will shortly be laid before the House is adopted.

Government entered the current year with a revenue balance of Rs. 441 lakhs. The deficit of the current year's working is now forecast at Rs. 2.96 lakhs and the closing balance on the 31st of this month will accordingly be Rs. 41-15 lakhs.

Commenting on the financial position of the Province the Finance Minister said he was convinced that their sheet-anchor in future was an increase in the amount of subvention from the Centre.—United Press.

NEW DEPUTY SPEAKER

PESHAWAR, March 17: Twenty-two members of the Ministerial Party present at the opening day of Budget Session to-day as Nawab Nasrullah Khan was the only candidate for the Deputy Speakership, the speaker declared him elected unopposed.—A. P.

Indian Merchandise Marks Amendment Act

NEW DELHI, March 17

"As certain proposals for the further amendment of the Act are under consideration, the Government of India have decided, pending decision on these proposals, to postpone the enforcement of the Indian Merchandise Marks (Amendment) Act, 1941, says a press-note.—A. P.

Canada's Mutual Aid Agreements

OTTAWA, March 17: Canada has concluded mutual aid agreements with the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union and Australia, the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Mackenzie King, disclosed in the House of Commons to-day.

Similar agreements were being negotiated with other Governments or Authorities receiving supplies from Canada in significant volume, notably, China and the French Committee of National Liberation.

Mr. Mackenzie King added: "Each agreement contains a pledge of reciprocal aid to Canada and mutual understanding to pursue international economic policies designed to implement economic objectives defined in the Atlantic charter.—Reuter.

"Disband Assam Ministry"

GAUHATI, March 17: A resolution urging the Government to release the Congress leaders and establish a national Government to accelerate the National War Front was adopted by the fourth session of the Assam Jatiya Mahasabha held there under the presidentship of Dr. Ghanshyam Das.

The Conference by another resolution expressed the opinion that the present Ministry in Assam was "pursuing a communal policy and called upon the Governor of Assam to disband the Ministry and install a progressive and popular one.—United Press.

Rohri Strawboard And Paper Mills, Ltd., Rohri

The Rohri Strawboard and Paper Mills Ltd., has been started for the manufacture of strawboard. The factory will be situated in Rohri (Sind) a Railway Junction on the North-Westren (Main Line) between Karachi and Lahore. The town stands on the left bank of the River Indus and there is plenty of good lime available; above all the location of factory will not be far from the area of supply of raw material.

The Company holds a monopoly of raw material Sar grass for ten years in the first instance which may be extended later on. Messrs. M. P. Lalvani and Co., are appointed Managing Agents of the Company. The board consists of some leading Sindhis.

Mr. M. P. Lalvani may said to be a pioneer in the sphere of industry in Sind having previously conceived the idea of electrification of Mirpurkhas, which licence he made over to M/s. B. R. Herman Mohatta Ltd., Karachi. He is launching this scheme for which there is a wide scope nowadays.

Indictment Of Gold Sales Policy

Chettiar Denies Congress Responsibility For Sabotage

NEW DELHI, March 17.

The Central Assembly to-day agreed to four motions regarding the elections of the Standing Finance Committee, Standing Finance Committee for Railways. Central Advisory Council for Railways and a Standing Committee to advise on subjects with which the Labour Department is concerned.

In the course of the debate on the motion relating to the Standing Finance Committee Dr. P. N. Bannerjee, supported by Sir Yamin Khan, and Mr. N. M. Joshi, urged that the Committee's functions should be enlarged. Sir Ziauddin Ahmed and Mr. Lahri Chaudury also participated in the debate.

The Finance Member indicated that he was prepared to discuss the scope and functions of the Committee.

DEBATE ON FINANCE BILL

The Assembly began the debate on the Finance Member's motion that the Finance Bill be taken into consideration.

Mr. T. S. Avinashilingam Chettiar (Congress) opened the debate with a two-hour speech in which he first commented on the way in which he said persons in Madras who were acquitted of certain charges were immediately re-arrested on the same charges. Referring to the sale of gold he declared that as against the ruling price in America of about Rs. 45 an ounce, gold was sold in India at about Rs. 85.

The Finance Member intervening pointed out that the price in India had been Rs 71 for some time.

Mr. Chettiar accepted the correction and said that even so it did not affect his charge that the machinery of the Reserve Bank of India had been used for a transaction in which there was a profit made of some Rs. 30 on every ounce of gold sold in this country, with the result that vast sums were going out. This, he declared, was a matter of shame.

CRORES GONE OUT

The Finance Member suggested this was not a shame but it was not playing into the hands of various operators.

Mr. Chettiar reasserted his belief that many crores of Indian money had gone out in this way. He added that every article supplied from India to the British Government and to the American Government had been at controlled prices and he asked how in those circumstances could the Finance Member argue in support of the sale of American gold here at prices so much higher than those ruling in America.

Speaking of sterling balances, Mr. Chettiar objected to these being allowed to accumulate in one country and asked that they should be divided into sterling and dollar. He suggested that the sterling balances should be spent firstly in training Indian technical personnel in England and America in as large numbers as possible, secondly, in importing such consumers goods as could not be manufactured in India, for example, watches, and such goods as would not compete with Indian products, and thirdly, in importing capital goods.

LAND FOR HARIJANS

Suggesting a way to make amends to the scheduled castes for the sufferings to which they had been subjected, Mr. Chettiar proposed that in every province some five or ten crores of rupees should be set aside to acquire land and distribute it to them on the land mortgage bank basis, so that they could pay the price back in twenty or forty years. By this means the scheduled castes would have an opportunity to learn to live better.

The Finance Member: Is the Hon. Member interested in putting up the price of land still further?

Mr. Chettiar replied this habit of picking holes in every suggestion made from the opposition did not show that the Government were very anxious to do everything for the scheduled castes as they professed to be anxious to do.

SABOTAGE MOVEMENT

Mr. Chettiar humorously commented on what he described as the British habit of saying that everything done in India, including the sale of gold, the monopoly given to the U. K. C. C. and the privileges enjoyed by the imperial chemicals, as being in India's interest.

Speaking as a member of the A. I. C. C. he repudiated the charge that the Congress Working Committee had incited the sabotage movement in the country. It was true, he said, he had seen a notice in July, 1942, in Madras, advising people to cut telegraph wires, but he asked a member of the Working Committee about that notice and was told that there were no instructions or programme of civil disobedience issued by the Working Committee. Who issued that notice was a matter which remained to be found out.

The question might be asked how did the burning and sabotage come about? The explanation he had heard in jail was that Mr. Amery made a broadcast on August 19, 1942, in which he described the Congress programme as one of violence and sabotage and gave details of that programme; and many Congress workers took this broadcast to mean that it gave out the real Congress programme and acted accordingly. Derisive laughter from official benches in which the Home Member who entered just then, joined).

Mr. Chettiar concluded by urging that, if Government were sincere about unity and about the reiteration of Cripps' offer, they should let Mahatma Gandhi meet members of the Working Committee and others.

LIMITED COMPANIES

Mr. Ramratan Gupta gave figures to show that limited companies would under the new taxation proposals be left with little or no margin; and no honest assessee would be able to carry on business much less have the incentive to expand. With one hand, said Mr. Gupta, Government wanted to increase production of consumers goods and with the other they made it impossible for industrial concerns to keep up present production. The result would be that consumers goods would be imported from abroad.

TOBACCO DUTY

Mr. Umar Aly Shah (Moslem League) in a speech interspersed with quotations from Sanskrit authorities vigorously opposed taxation of tea, coffee and betelnuts. He was entirely in favour of taxing the rich, he said, According to the Shastras the state had the right to take away everything from a banya except food for fifteen days (loud laughter).

Mr T. T. Krishnamachari during the few minutes left, referred to the doubling of the tobacco duty and said that the mere fact that tobacco bore a high incidence of taxation in other countries was no argument which could be made applicable in India. He had not concluded his speech when the House adjourned till Monday.

A. V. Hill Costs India Rs. 17,000

NEW DELHI, March 17.

The Education Secretary Mr. J. D. Tyson stated in the Assembly in reply to Mr. K. S. Gupta that the purpose of inviting Prof. A. V. Hill was to promote informal contacts and discussions, from which arrangements for wider co-operation and plans for further developments might be expected to result. Prof. Hill, however, had himself suggested that after returning to the U. K. he should write a short report embodying a number of observations, comments and suggestions which had arisen from his many visits and discussions in India. His visit was estimated to cost about Rs. 17,000.

Mr. Tyson replying said that the Government of India recognised that the existence of National Scientific Society occupying the same position in India as the Royal Society of London and the National Academy of Science at Washington in their respective countries, was desirable. The matter was being considered.

Khare On Franchise For Indians In S. Africa

NEW DELHI, March 17.

Replying to Mr. Lalchand Navalrai whether a white Mayor in the Union of South Africa said that he was not prepared to sit with any Indian in the Municipality, Dr. N. B. Khare, Overseas Member, stated in the Assembly that the Government had seen press reports to that effect. The Government of India did not feel called upon to take any action every time an individual chose to voice his personal views.

Replying to questions regarding grant of franchise to Indians in South Africa Dr. Khare said that the Minister for Interior was reported to have said that in his personal opinion franchise should be granted to Indians on communal basis with educational and property qualifications in the Municipal Councils, provincial councils and the Union Parliament.

Dr. Khare further said that Indians did not have Municipal franchise in Transvaal—United Press.

AMERICAN CLUB TEA DANCE PARTY

Local Indian Charities & War Fund Charities To Benefit

Eight pip emma is the time, Tuesday April 4th is the date, and Brabourne Stadium is the venue for a grand Tea Dance in aid of local Indian and War Fund charities sponsored by the American Women's Club of Bombay and the American Men's Association of Western India.

Already plans to make this the finest American charity show ever launched in Bombay have taken final shape. If you are a civilian or commissioned officer, a modest Rs. 5 will see you through the turnstiles and among the fun and games; if you are in the Services and not commissioned Rs. 3 is the admission to a grand evening's enjoyment.

Among the attractions scheduled are open air dancing, floor shows, the American Bar, clowns and minstrels, games of skill and games of chance, the country store, fortune telling and the Bingo game. Valuable prizes have to be won before the evening's through.

The experience of Bombay's public in previous years has been that the American community have developed to the limit the art of giving one and all a good time in a good cause, and all the sponsors ask is that you will make April 4th a date with them so that a bumper crowd can build a bumper contribution to charities and have a grand time in the process.

NEW DELHI, March 17: For gallantry in saving a pilot from a burning aircraft Lt. Aitizaduddin Ahmed Khan of the Indian Pioneer Corps has been awarded the M.B.E. (Military) and 346316 Pioneer Zainal Abdin and 267896 Pioneer Abdul Rab have received the B. E. M. (Military) for assisting their officer in this rescue.

DR. ROY'S PLEA FOR MORE RELIEF TO BENGAL

CALCUTTA, March 17

"The need for relief in Bengal is greater to-day than ever before and whatever we might have rendered so far does not absolve us from the duty of helping more. Malaria and smallpox claim the largest number of victims to-day, but epidemics are close upon their heels, unless we at once come forward to check them," observed Dr. B. C. Roy, President of the Bengal Medical Relief Co-ordination Committee, in a statement to the 'United Press.'

"Not only is more relief necessary", said Dr. Roy but experience has taught that it should be co-ordinated and well planned. Particularly, is it urgent that in view of the appalling shortage of medicines and the bungling in the official machinery for the distribution of medicines, leading to the wastage and delay."

Concluding Dr. Roy appealed to all public bodies and individuals to come forward with all they could give. —United Press.

ARGENTINE WHET FOR PORTUGAL

LISBON: Owing to the stoppage of wheat supplies to Portugal from the United Nations, wheat will be imported from Argentina on a large scale, it is learned here.—Reuter.

SAMBUDHANANDA FOR BENGAL

BOMBAY, March 17: With a view to studying first hand the famine situation in Bengal, Swami Sambudhananda, President of the Ramkrishna Mission, Khar, Bombay, is leaving today for Calcutta. After visiting Bankura, Midnapore and other worst affected districts of Bengal Swamiji proposes to tour Assam and Orissa also. He is expected to return to Bombay by the end of April.—United Press.

Food Debate In Council Of State

Sir J. P. Wants No Controversy But Help

NEW DELHI, March 17.

The Council of State resumed the food debate to-day, Pandit Kunzru said Mr. Sen's speech yesterday had created the impression that the Government were rather optimistic. He compared the situation in the country with that obtaining in Britain and said in spite of the fact that Britain was faced with greater difficulties, she was able to find shipping space to import half of her food requirements. He regretted that Mr. Sen had not made any reference to South Kanara. He had information, which was supported by the Collector of the District, that the district would require about 18,000 tons more of food grains. He hoped Mr. Sen would look into this. In regard to Orissa, Pt. Kunzru appealed to the Central Government to show more consideration.

Referring to Bengal, he said with over 12 million tons of food grains at its disposal, this year, he would expect there would be no shortage of rice in the deficit districts and that the prices would be within reach of everyone. But he was sorry to say that information in his possession did not enable him to believe that the position was satisfactory in either of these respects.

Mr. Hussain Imam deprecated attempts being made in Bengal by interested parties and interested persons to create difficulties and augment existing ones and asked the Central Government to state clearly their policy in this respect. Did they want to encourage such actions? Did they want that there should be no confidence in the authority of the Government? Was that Government's policy or did they want to rehabilitate confidence? Mr. Imam urged the Government to make available to fishermen in Bengal more boats either free of cost or on easy hire-purchases systems. Government should not be content with giving back only 10,000 boats. Mr. Imam suggested that Government should import tractors from abroad for collective farming. They might even take over some lands in Assam for this purpose and run a farm on scientific lines.

Sir Jogender Singh, Member for Education, Health and Lands, stated that 100 tractors had been ordered from the U.S.A. and ought to be delivered here at any time now. He dealt at length with the various measures taken by Government to afford medical relief to Bengal. The All-India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health had enabled a ninety per cent death rate to be converted into a ninety per cent cure rate.

Winding up the debate, Sir Jwala Prasad referred to Pandit Kunzru's statements regarding the situation in Cochin and Travancore in January last and said these were at variance with facts in the possession of Government. He quoted from a telegram from Sir C. P. Ramawamy Iyer, the Dewan of Travancore, in which he had said: "I have read with surprise Pandit Kunzru's statement regarding the food situation in Travancore and Cochin . . . The two States are greatly indebted to the Government of India for the solicitude they had shown". Pandit Kunzru: The statement I made in regard to Travancore about the inability of the Government of India to send all the food that was needed and the severe distress is borne out by the speeches made by Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer himself at the Food Conference in October. I have seen these speeches and they were handed over to me by Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer himself.

Sir J. P.: It does not certainly appear to be the case from the telegram I have received.

Mr. Mattai: What is the date of the telegram?

Sir J. P.: 27th January, 7th February etc. If Pandit Kunzru wishes, I would like to show the telegrams to him. Sir C. P. has gone into details to show that Pandit Kunzru was wrong. Just to give an indication, I shall read another telegram in which Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer says: 'Both the Dewan of Cochin and myself record our great indebtedness to the Government of India for having come to our help at a very critical juncture.'

Sir J. P. Srivastava added that Pandit Kunzru might have misread Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer's speech.

Pandit Kunzru: Place Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Iyer's speeches and the telegrams on the table.

Sir J. P. said he did not wish to raise a controversy. What he wanted was to point out an instance where statements were made which instead of doing any good did a lot of harm. He would beg of everybody, including Pandit Kunzru, not to make the position more difficult at this stage. (Pt. Kunzru: I cannot be a party to suppression of facts). Any member of the House could tell him personally of any defects which he might find in the food administration. But if someone made a misstatement without even meeting the officials concerned, it undermined confidence.

The Food debate cocluded, and the House adjourned till Wednesday March 22.—A. P.

AGREEMENT ON WHITE CURRENCY PLAN?

NEW YORK, March 15

A Washington report to-day said that an early and complete agreement is believed to be imminent among British, United States, Russian and Canadian treasury experts on a fund of several billion dollars based on gold to stabilise post-war foreign exchange. Parallel conversations, it was stated, had been in progress here with British, while a Russian delegation was being acquainted with the White Currency Plan.—Reuter.

MADRAS CONGRESS HOUSE SITE FOR A.R.P.

MADRAS, March 17.

The Government of Madras have directed that the vacant site of the old Congress House now in their possession be handed over to a firm for the construction of A. R. P. slit trenches for the use of factory personnel; this site was also used by Madras Fire Service for parade, drill etc.—Orient Press.

MADRAS, March 17: It is understood that the Madras Government have recommended to the Central Government the relaxation of the export quota to Ceylon of 5.5 million yards per quarter of handloom cloth fixed by them.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

NEW DELHI, March 16: "The Government of India have decided that it would not be expedient to publish any report for the present on the evacuation of Indians from Burma", said Mr. R. N. Banerjee, Indians' Overseas Department in the Council of State to-day.—A. P.

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The Assembly proceedings never fail to provide lively reading.

On Thursday, the tinkle of women's bangles was heard in the solemn premises when Mr. N. M. Joshi pleaded on behalf of the Ferozabad bangle industry. According to the A. P. report:—

Mr. Joshi drew particular attention to the bangle industry of Ferozabad, which he said had been languishing for some two years for lack of coal, and kerosene oil, with the result that some 60,000 workers were suffering from either total or partial unemployment. The Hindu womanhood of India, he declared, had been exploited for two years, by being forced to pay eight times the usual price of bangles.—(Voices: The womanhood of the whole of India).

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The issues raised, in our opinion, are far-reaching and transcend the minor consideration of the high price of bangles.

The Hindu Mahasabha, we urge, should inquire whether the "Hindu womanhood" was being exploited in the matter of bangles as a result of some deep-rooted conspiracy of the Muslims.

The Muslim League, on the other hand, should protest why only the "Hindu womanhood" was mentioned by Mr. Joshi in connection with bangles and should not lose this opportunity of emphasising the need of Pakistan to ensure a bangle for every Muslim woman in India.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS (Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *The Sanatanists and the Mahasabhites suspect Dr. Lin Yutang to be an 'agent provocateur' of the Muslim League, while Mr. Jinnah is certain the Chinese scholar is a hireling of the Hindu Congress, brought to India to discredit Pakistan.*

(2) *The Government, on the other hand, has its own views on the subject which are not being released to the press by the Information Department as most of them are unprintable.*

(3) *Britain, having failed to keep rebellious Eire within the Empire, has handed it over to Uncle Sam.*

(4) *The Government has decided to fight inflation by deflation which in its turn will be remedied by another phase of inflation.*

(5) *Whisky was included by the Government among consumers' goods to be imported only to keep up the spirits of the population.*

(6) *America is sending tractors to India in exchange for Brahma bulls.*

Nasik Mandali And School Celebrate Silver Jubilee

(From Our Correspondent.)

NASIK, March 15: The Silver Jubilee of the Nasik Shikshan Prasarak Mandali and the Mandali's New English School, was celebrated here last evening, Sir R. P. Paranjpe, well-known educationist and ex-President of the Indian Liberal Federation, presiding.

The Secretary, read the report of the work done by the Mandali through its institutions in the city and the district, during the past 25 years.

Sir R. P. Paranjpe, in the course of his address, congratulated the Mandali on its work and progress, and expressed particular gratification at it, as the sponsors of the institution were all his past students.

"Time was," said Sir Paranjpe, "when it was the universal belief that Indians were not competent to run educational institutions all by themselves. Indian educationists, and educational institutions have conclusively disproved it.

"Whatever the present political situation", concluded Sir R. P. Paranjpe, "Democratic form of Government is bound to be restored in India after the war. They must not bring to bear undertake som such ambitious plan of universal education."

No Canadian Ships For Pacific

OTTAWA, March 17

The Canadian Navy Minister Mr. Angus MacDonald in the House of Commons rejected the suggestion that Canada should send ships to the Pacific in order not be left out of post-war discussions concerning that area.

The general strategy of the war was to leave the Pacific to the American navy and that Atlantic to the British with the Canadians and British sharing the Atlantic convoy work, he said.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA-CANADA MUTUAL AID PACT

CANBERRA, March 17: Announcing in the House of Representatives a mutual aid agreement between Australia and Canada, the Minister for External Affairs Dr. H. V. Evatt said that under the terms of the agreement it was anticipated that Australia would receive Canadian goods to the value of 85 million dollars (Canadian) yearly. The goods would include automotive equipment, trucks, ammunition, ordnance, aircraft parts, machinery and raw materials.

END OF FORD COMPANY STRIKE

DETROIT, March 17: Reuter says that the dispute at the Ford Motor Company's Baton Rouge aircraft engine plant broke out on Tuesday night when 5,000 night shift workers were barred entry to the premises. On Wednesday morning all the main entrances were blockaded by the strikers but yesterday it was announced that the dispute had been settled and that 50 employees had been indefinitely suspended.

"Love In Marble" In Dispute

Mr. Sohrab Modi was refused injunction in respect of Mr. Kamal Amrohi's story 'Shankar' and for restraining Kamal Amrohi for serving Kardar Productions.

As Mr. Kamal Amrohi did not oppose Mr. Modi's application for injunction in respect of the story "Love In Marble" written by Mr. Dewan Sharar, his Lordship the Hon. Mr. Justice Chagla granted interim injunction in respect of the said story "Love In Marble" only.

Suit is fixed for hearing on 19th June, 1944, subject to the part heard.

Sir J. B. Kanga instructed by Messrs. Smytham Byrne and Lambert appeared for Mr. Modi and Mr. K. A. Somjee, Bar-at-Law, instructed by Messrs. Lakhia and Company appeared for Mr. Kamal Amrohi.

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLEARED CARGOES OF B. P. T. DOCKS.

In accordance with Sec. 64 of the Bombay Port Trust Acts of 1879 and as from time to time amended under instructions from the manager, Bombay Port Trust Docks, MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd March, 1944, at 2-30 p.m. at Alexandra Dock Sale Warehouse a large quantity of wood (sweeping)

AUCTION SALE OF 151 BALES BROACH B. D. 8 & JERILLA COTTON.

MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1944, at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Cotton Depot Sewree near North end of C. Group Second Avenue by order of the Insurance office concerned the above damaged cotton.

AUCTION SALE OF 807 BALES PUNJAB AMERICAN COTTON (124 F: 289F: 4 F: L.S.S.: M 4: & SAWJIN).

MENESSE & CO. will sell by Public Auction on Thursday the 23rd March 1944 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Cotton Depot Sewree opposite Wadia Godown by order of the Insurance Office concerned the above mentioned cotton slightly damaged by water and or by fire and water salved from the fire that occurred in Jetha of Messrs. Samaldass Madhavdass.

The above will be sold in different lots to suit the requirements of the purchasers.

MENESSE & CO.

BONA FIDE SALE

AUCTION SALE TOMORROW SUNDAY at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) Property of a European gentleman M. Johnson, Esq., and others at Chowpatty Sea Face near Vianelli's Restaurant of complete household and office furniture. Godrej and other fire-proof Safes, Godrej Steel Almirah, Standard and Portable Typewriter, Singer Machine, Table Fan, Dining Table, Chairs, Side-board, Cabinet, Show Cases, Writing Tables, Dressing Tables, Chesterfield Sets, Almirahs, Bed with box Mattress, etc., T. No. 40213, Eastern Auction Co.

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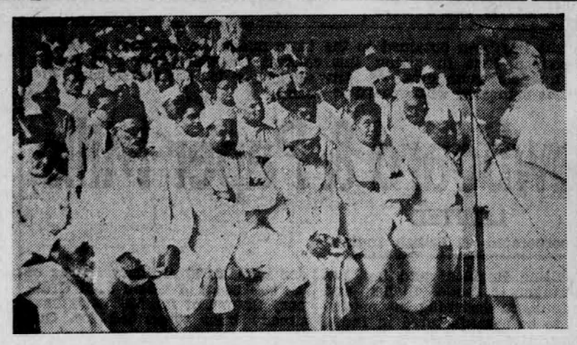

Mr. K. R. P. Shroff (extreme right), President of the Native Share and Stock Brokers' Association declaring open the Share Bazar Branch of the Dena Bank on Wednesday last.

13 POLITICALS ON FAST IN BELFAST

Can Commit Suicide If They Desire, Says Home Member

BELFAST, March 17.

Mr. William Lowry, Minister of Home Affairs, told the Northern Ireland House of Commons to-day that there were now 13 Irish Republican army prisoners on hunger strike in the Belfast prison. One of them had been removed to hospital. Others were in their cells.

Mr. Lowry added that Northern Ireland was the only part of the British empire where this method of trying to defeat the law had never succeeded.

Government policy was to allow a man to commit suicide if he was so minded.—Reuter.

South African Minister Wants Early Solution Of Indian Problem

CAPETOWN, Mar. 16.

In the Senate, the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Clarkson, during a review of his policy, said that both Indian and European sections in Natal now realised that some solution to the Indian problem was essential.

The Indians were in a more amenable frame of mind than ever in the past, and, he believed, the difficulties would soon be resolved.—Reuter.

Habib High School

"PHYSICAL TRAINING DISPLAY"

The annual athletic sport and physical training display and march-past of the Habib High School (Dongri) took place at the Cooperage when the Hon Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla presided and Mrs. Chagla distributed prizes. After a very interesting and entertaining programme of 23 events. Mr Sheikh Hasan, the Headmaster of the school gave an account of the steady progress of the school. Established in 1938 with only 90 boys, the school was recognized and affiliated in only 2 years by the University of Bombay and has at present on its rolls 425 Muslim boys. The growing number of applications for admission in the school is a proof of its popularity.

The Hon. Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla praised the great discipline of the boys and congratulated Mr. Jal D. Pardiwalla, the physical instructor of the School, in so ably and successfully organising sports and for good discipline of the boys. He also praised the great services of the founders of the school, Messrs. Habib Brothers and especially of Mr. Mahomedali Habib, whose services were described not only as communal, but also truly national. Mr. Justice Chagla was glad to observe the importance given at the school to physical training, which he regarded as an important education. The physical training display and the march-past was a brilliant spectacle and was much applauded and Mr. Pardiwalla was congratulated for it.

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Malan's Anti-Soviet Tirade

CAPETOWN, March 17.

In the debate in the House yesterday. The Opposition Leader, Doctor Malan, declared "if an Allied Victory means an alliance with Russia and the spread of ..communism throughout the world, including South Africa, and if a German victory means the smashing of communism, I say "Let Germany Win."—Reuter.

In The Channel

E-BOATS SUFFER DEFEATS

LONDON, March 16.

A strong force of German E-Boats, last night, tried to approach the English Coast.

A communique tonight says R.A.F. Patrols between lands end and Ushant sighted and attacked this force besides reporting its location to the Royal Navy. This morning light naval forces had a short but sharp action with E-Boats about 25 miles south-west of lands end.

British ships scored repeated hits with gunfire. One E-Boat is believed to have been sunk and others were damaged two severely.

The E-Boats then escaped.

All the British ships returned safely to harbour without suffering either casualties or damage. None of the aircraft is missing.

One German R-Boat and one British Motor torpedo Boat were sunk during a fierce gun action between light coastal forces of the Royal Navy and a greatly superior force of six German armed trawlers and six R-Boats in the straits of Dover last night, said an Admiralty Communique today.

One of the trawlers was severely damaged by gunfire and when last seen was enveloped in smoke. The other British ships returned safely to harbour.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

LONDON, March 16.

Total Bullion £842,000; Public Deposit £8,400,000; (A) Other Deposits £238,100,000; Government Securities £175,100,000; (B) Other Securities 16,100,000; Notes, Gold and Silver Coin £59400,000; Notes in Circulation 1,091,500,000; Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities 24.07 per cent; (A) Other Deposits include Bankers £178,900,000; (B) Other Securities include Discounts and Advances £14,000,000; Total Deposits £246,500,000; Total Securities £191,200,000.

YARN MARKET

The Yarn Market improved during the week-end after maintaining a dull tendency during most of the week. During this week holiday spirit prevailed on account of the holi festival and dull market conditions were experienced and turnover of business was poor. However, during the end of the week the local market improved on increased demand from foreign markets and there was an improvement in prices and the undertone of the market was much better. During the week-end reports appeared in the press that Government intends to put into operation whenever necessary in order to maintain cotton prices in relation to floor rates for hedge contracts, their previously announced policy to purchase Cotton and that at Government's discretion buying may begin even when the Indian Cotton Contract is Rs. 412 or Rs. 420. This had favourable reaction on the market for raw cotton which improved by about Rs. 10 during the last few days. The improvement in the position of the raw cotton market had also a favourable effect on the local yarn market. Difficulties of transport for the movement of Yarn to the consuming centres still prevail and it is necessary that regular and adequate facilities should be granted to the dealers in order to meet their normal requirements of trade. The depressing effect caused on the market since the fixing of maximum prices by 12-1/2 per cent lower from 1st March is still affecting the markets throughout the country and business turnover is greatly reduced. There was some improvement in demand in the Eastern Centres and prices were steady but as the markets were closed for the Holi festival business was on a limited scale. There was some demand in the Northern Centres and prices were fairly steady. Markets in South India experienced dull conditions and there was some demand and prices were steady. There is good demand for Fine Count Yarns but a shortage of these Yarns is being felt. In spite of the fact that the prices fixed for Japanese Art Silk and Staple Fibre Yarns are very low and this has created a good deal of dissatisfaction amongst the dealers no action is yet taken by the Government to revise these prices in consultation with the trade and fix them on a fair and reasonable level. It is hoped that early action will be taken to revise the prices for these yarns. There were increased enquiries from the export markets and some amount of business is reported to have been done for the Turkish Market.

Imperial Bank Of India

Statement of the affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 10th March, 1944.

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	5,85,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	213,16,81,000
Sundries	96,29,000
	Rs. 225,60,60,000

ASSETS	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities ..	143,79,72,000
Other Authorised Investments	2,82,44,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	14,36,45,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	32,87,35,000
Bills discounted and purchased	4,81,08,000
Dead Stock	1,70,92,000
Sundries	1,05,89,000
CASH:—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	22,41,32,000
Balances with other Banks	1,75,43,000
	Rs. 225,60,60,000

POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS.

Statement of the position of Scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 10th March:+

Demand Liabilities in India Rs. 515,60,45,000, Time Liabilities in India Rs. 167,06,02,000, Cash in India: (i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes Rs. 21,16,66,000, (ii) Rupee Coin Rs. 1,91,49,000, (iii) Subsidiary Coin Rs. 38,91,000, Balances with Reserve Bank Rs. 54,26,46,000, Advances in India Rs. 197,37,38,000, Bills discounted in India Rs. 9,13,12,000.

KAISER-I-HIND INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Opens New Branch Office at Broach

"The Kaiser-i-Hind Insurance Co., Ltd., has made a great progress in the insurance business under its able and efficient management and this extension of its activities at Broach adds a new chapter to its bright history of steady progress and successful achievements", thus declared Sheth Chinubhai Haridas, B.A., the well-known millowner of Gujarat, while performing the opening ceremony of the Life Branch Office of Kaiser-I-Hind Insurance Co., Ltd., at Broach on the 14th inst. at 10-45 A.M. A decent gathering of the well-known citizens of Broach was present there to grace the occasion. Mr. T. N. Gundaria, a leading advocate of Broach introduced Sheth Chinubhai and gave a detailed account of the Company and its directors. Sheth Chinubhai in his speech stressed the fact that in the field of Insurance, India has made a commendable progress in spite of the great competition from foreign Insurance Companies who still take away a considerable portion of the total premium. To prevent this drain and to expand the scheme of national security, he said, there is a vast scope for the Indian companies to extend the scope and field of their activities. Then Sheth Chinubhai wishing the Branch Office all success and prosperity commended to all to extend their valuable and generous co-operation to the Branch. The Office was declared open with a substantial amount of Life business. After thanking the Chairman and the guests, the gathering was dispersed. Mr. R. J. Sutaria, the General Manager of the Company was also present on the occasion.

In the evening a tea-party was given in the honour of Sheth Chinubhai, where all the distinguished citizens of Broach were present.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Friday.

SHARES: The local Share Bazar was steady today with a moderate business passing. After initial demand there appeared some week-end liquidation which checked improvement. Tata Steel Defd. shares opened

Active Shares At A Glance

T.S. Ord. (430/8) 428/8 34 30/8 27 28; T S Dfd. (2235) 2222/8 32 42 25; Dyeing (2147) 2127 42 36 42 55 57 50 40 42; Century (1065) 1060 65 60; Kohinoor (724, 720 19 24 18 17; Swadesh (608) 605 9 6 4; Nagpur (436) 436 37 35 38 37; Simplex (265/8) 264 65/8 64 63/8; New Great (437/8) 437 41 40 37; Swan (390) 387 88 90; Cement (224/8) 226 24 25/8 25.

at Rs. 2,147 and sagged to Rs. 2,140 and steadied at Rs. 2,225. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 427 and improved to Rs. 430 but reacted to Rs. 427. Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 2,147 and sagged to Rs. 2,140 Kohinoor Shares were quoted at Rs. 719 and Century Mill Shares were placed at Rs. 1.057. Tone was quietly steady.

TEXTILE SECTION: Ahmed. Advance 512-8, Apollo 5-8, Bharat Mills 83-12, Bom. Dyeing 2142, Cent. India 437, Century 1060, Colaba 243, Dawn 1675, E.D Sassoon 800, Elphinstone 119, Finlay 349-8, Gokak 362-8, Hindustan 4000, Ind Bleaching 222, Ind. Untd. Ordy 18-14, do Defd 4-2, Indore Malwa 1190, Khatau 425, Kohinoor 717 Lakshmi 1845, Madhowji 27, Minerwa 327-8, Model Nagpur 320, Morarji 782-8, Madhusudan 515, Meyer Sassoon 255, Mysore 317-8, New Great 437-8, Phoenix 445, Simplex 263, Swadeshi 604, nix 765, Podar Mills 480, Sassoon Silk 105, do Spg. 31-8, Sholapur 8,700, Shri Swan 388, Tata Mills 79, Vishnu 578-12 Western India 3650.

INSURANCE SECTION: Bom. Life 227-8, Empire Life 820, Oriental 6310, Vulcan 20, Ind and Prudent 40-8, Ind. Mercantile 85-8, Jupiter 41, New India 92-8.

HYDRO AND ELEC. SECTIONS: Ahmed. Elec. 211-14, Ajmere 14-8, And. Valley 1657-8, Bom. Tram Ordy. 146, Bom. Suburban 200, Karachi 253-2, Poona 300, Broach 13-6, Surat 201-4, do New Rs. 50/Pd. Prem. 70, Tata Hydro Ord. 202, Tata Power Ord. 1910

BANK SECTION: Baroda Bank 140-8, Bank of India 186, Central Bank 94-8 Imperial Bank 1935, do P.P 507-8, Habib Bank 86, Union Bank 10-7, Reserve Bank 135-4.

PREF. SHARES: 7 per cent And. Valley 1729, 6 per cent Bom. Steamer 340, 7 per cent do Tram 65-4, 5 per cent India 732-8, 6-1/2 per cent Jupiter 20-4, 6-1/2 per cent. Surat 198, 6-1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 1st 139, 6-1/4 per cent do 2nd 137-8, 6 per cent Tata I and S. 1st 220, 7-1/2 per cent do 2nd 163, 7 per cent do Hydro 172-8, 7-1/2 per cent do Power 1785, 7 per cent Vishnu 785.

DEBENTURES: 4 per cent And. Valley 107-12, 4 per cent Tata Power 107-10, 4 per cent do Chem. 234, 6 per cent Marshal Price 121.

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RAILWAY SECTION: Ahmed. Prantej 795, Cent. Prov. 104, Dhond Baramati 118, Gujerat 98, Hoshiarpur Doab 108, Mandra Bhon 112-4, Mymensing Rebt. 111, do Gtd 111-4, Sara Sirajganj 111, Sialkot Naro 120-12, do New 54.

MISCELLANEOUS GROUP: Alembic Chem. 390, Alcock Ashdown 632-8, Asso. Cement 225 Bom. Burma Old 425, do New 148-12, Belapur 250, Invest Trust 76-4, B S Petrols 3-8-1/4, Bom. Steamer 695, Prem. Const. 225, Port Canning 109-12, Scindia 36-5, Tata Defd 2224, Wimco 326-All 82-8, Tata Ordy 428.

4, B I C 6-11, Burma Corp. 3-13, Ind. Copper 2-14, do Iron 38-6, Steel Corp. 26-8, New Vict. Ord. 1C-4, B. Co. Bank 62-8, U Co. Bank 77-8, Bradbury Pref 567-8, do Ord. 417, Elphin. Pref. 241-4 Dharamsey Chem. 75, New City Mill 470, Jaipur Bank 72, New Union 32.

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BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0 Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d and New York spot silver quotation was unchanged at 44-3/4 cents. The local market was steady and shortage of silver supplies induces buyers. Forward silver opened today at Rs. 125/4 and improved to Rs. 126/12 and Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 125/12. Gold market was neglected. Ready gold stood at Rs. 71/0/6 and Forward quotation was Rs. 71.

The market ruled very steady closing quotation Ready Silver Rs. 128-8, Forward Rs. 125-12 Ready Gold Rs. 71-1 Forward Rs. 71, Sovereigns Rs. 49-2.

COTTON: The local Cotton Market was quietly steady to-day with a restricted turnover. May delivery opened at Rs. 448 and after declining to Rs. 447/8 improved to Rs. 450. At this level the improvement was checked by scattered realising and prices reacted to Rs. 449.

Later on there was steady buying and the market closed at about the highest level of the day at 6 p.m. as under:—

I. C. C. March 451, I. C. C. May 450-12, I. C. C. July 456-12. I. C. C. September 459-4.

COTTON ARRIVALS: Khandesh 841 Central India 689, Barsi 122, Hydrabad 713, Dholeras 200, Sindh Punjab 582, Broach 3,723 Total 6,870 Bales.

COTTON TENDERS

I C C March today 800, total 15350

NEW YORK COTTON

Noon Call

March 21.28; May 20.80; July 20.26;

COTTON PARITY: Indian cotton May contract is below New York May 350 cent points at Exchange rate 331.

U.S. MILLS CONSUMPTION

U.S. cotton consumption during February 811,000 bales against 819,489 in January, stocks in manufacturing establishments 2.351.000 against 2,377,580 in warehouses 11,519,000 against 12,120,142, and consumption of linters 107,000 against 99,118, while the number of active spindles was 22,513,000 against 22,217,004.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, March 16.

March 21.23+04; May 20.76+03; July 20.14+01; October 19.59 December 19.37; January 19.30—01 May highest 20.82+09 (10-52 a.m.) lowest 20.76 +03 (10 a.m.) Middling spot 21.72+03

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Wanted Lady Doctor for Zenana Dispensary, free partially furnished quarters, free electric light and water. Write stating salary expected. Dadabhoy Free Zenana Dispensary, P. O. Kholvad, Dist. Surat. 8071

Wanted Expert to manufacture Rexin Cloth, Book Binding Cloth and Calico Printing on descent remuneration. Apply Box No. 4337, "Bombay Chronicle."

FLATS WANTED

Wanted a Decent and airy two-three rooms flat good locality. Goodwill offered. Apply Box No. 4396, "Bombay Chronicle."

65. ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Hindu Bachelor requires room in Bombay or Suburbs, willing to do part-time Clerical, Typing Work in Exchange Box No. 4403 Bombay Chronicle."

142. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Alexandra Commercial College. Special Vacation Classes for intensive training in Accountancy, Law, Economics, English, Commerce. Splendid opportunity for University students. Terms Moderate. Prospect Chambers, Hornby Road. (4405)

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191. MEDICAL ADLETS

Chitrakot-Asthma-Specific. Only one dose of which relieves Asthma completely to be taken on 8th April, '44 (Full Moon). Apply at once, Kr. Badri Nath Singh, Shubh Chintak Karyalaya, Chitrakot Dist. Banda. 4408

MOTOR CAR FOR SALE

For Sale One 1938 Vauxhall Tourer 10 registered in 1939. Excellent condition. Practically Brand New Tyres and Battery. Rs. 7,000|- or near offer. Apply R. Shukul, Bombay 28. (4391)

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PROPERTY WANTED

Wanted to purchase Sugar Mill and also Cotton Mill, big or small. Apply to Box No. 4409, "Bombay Chronicle."

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For Sale Mahableshwar, two storied huge building, unique view, central situation. Also small bungalows on Freehold plots in bazaar. Telephone 44607, Satarawala. (4398)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY.

VACANCIES EXIST for posts of Lower Division Clerks. Pay Rs. 59—3—80. E. B. 4—120 per mensem plus Dearness Allowance of Rs. 14|- p m.

Minimum qualification—Matriculation Examination and Typewriting. Applicants with some previous business experience preferred.

For Bombay and other Indian ports.

Apply in own handwriting, sending copies of certificates and testimonials to:—

DEPUTY ARMAMENT SUPPLY OFFICER,
R. I. N. Armament Depot,
Behind Town Hall, BOMBAY.

Applicants seen by appointment only.

Closing date 25th March, 1944. (8131)

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION invite applications by *15-4-1944*, for post of *Professor of Agricultural Economics, Agricultural College, Poona, Pay.*—Rs. 250 during probation and then Rs. 300-900. *Age.*—Not above 35 years on 1-8-1944, except for Bombay Government servants. *Qualifications.*—(i) Good degree in Science or Agriculture with Agricultural Economics of University in United Kingdom, Eire or U.S.A. *or* similar degree of Indian University with research experience or post-graduate training, and (ii) teaching and practical research experience. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and *uncrossed* postal order for Re. 1 payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission, Bombay", who will also supply full details on request. 8156

NOTICE

THE MORARJEE GOCULDAS SPG. & WVG. CO., LTD.

RE: CLOSURE OF TRANSFER BOOKS AND PAYMENT OF AD INTERIM (114TH) DIVIDEND

AT A MEETING of the Board of Directors of the Company held on 7th March, 1944, it was resolved to pay an ad interim dividend at Rs. 15|- (Rupees Fifteen only) per share for six months ended 31st December, 1943 to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company in the evening of Thursday, the 23rd March, 1944.

Transfer Books of the Company will remain CLOSED from Friday, the 24th March, 1944 to Thursday, the 6th April 1944, both days inclusive.

Dividend will be paid on and from Monday the 17th April, 1944. Dividend warrants will be posted to the registered addresses of the shareholders. Change of address, if any, should be notified immediately.

By Order of
The Board of Directors,
GANESHNARAYAN PIRAMAL,
Agents.

7th March, 1944.
Soparibaug Rd., Parel,
Bombay 12.

(8079)

G.I.P. RLY—TENDERS

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the re-caning of OFFICE and STATION FURNITURE which should be submitted to the Dy. Transportation Superintendent "Telegraphs", Victoria Terminus Annexe, before 31-3-44. Full particulars may be obtained from the Officer-in-charge Transportation Workshops, G.I.P. Railway, Parel Road, Byculla.

(8149)

NOTICE

WAR TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA in the War Transport Department are contemplating the appointment of additional registered dealers, under the Motor Vehicle Spare Parts Control Order, 1943. Dealers wishing to be so appointed, who have been in the spare parts business from 1938 or earlier, and whose monthly imports or purchases amounted together to not less than Rs. 5,000|- on the average during the three years 1938-40, should apply to the undersigned furnishing purchase figures for each of the three years 1938-40, and information as to makes and kinds of parts mainly dealt in. If any applicant had purchased genuine Chevrolet or Ford parts from the authorised General Motors and Fords dealers during these years, the value of such purchases each year and names of authorised dealers from whom purchased should also be furnished.

Last date of receiving the application—'15th April 1944'.

Controller of Road Transport,
War Transport Department
New Delhi.

New Delhi,
The 9th March, 1944.

(8154)

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651. MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

Can supply Lunch and Dinner on production of Ration Cards. Inquiry 48, Kooka House, 4th Floor, Grant Road Corner. (4359)

327 AGENTS WANTED

Wanted—Agents: Applications are invited from leading chemists of Bombay to deal with fine and famous products of Raymann Laboratories P.O. Box 12210, Calcutta. (4367)

Wanted a Purchasing Agent at Bombay for a reputed Pharmaceutical Concern. Apply for full particulars to Box No. 4387, "Bombay Chronicle."

632. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Sawdust "Sigdi" Cheap, Economical, Ranchoddas Building, Nowroji Vakil Street, Sleater Road (Grant Rd.) (4395)

PUBLIC NOTICES

(Consent of the Central Government has been obtained to the issue under the Defence of India Rule 94-A. It must be distinctly understood that in giving this consent the Government of India do not take any responsibility for the financial soundness of any scheme or for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinions expressed with regard to them).

The Rohri Strawboard & Paper Mills,

LIMITED

(Incorporated in British India).

The Company has been formed inter alia, to take over, work and exploit a monopoly for the extraction of "Sar" grass in certain forests in the Province of Sind, granted to Messrs. M. P. Lalvani & Co., of Karachi, who have transferred it to the Company.

The Company has appointed Mr. John Sword, Manager and Chief Engineer, Star Paper Mills Ltd., as Consulting Engineer and he has undertaken to render all help and assistance in designing the machinery to be manufactured in India, in testing the machinery and in the erection of the Mill.

The Company hopes to have the Mill in production in ten to twelve months' time.

The Authorised Capital of the Company is Rs. 9,00,000 and the Issued Capital is Rs. 5,00,000 divided into 10,000 ordinary shares of Rs. 50|- each, of which 5,331 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 50|- each have already been subscribed for. Out of these, shares over one lakh of rupees have been taken up by the Managing Agents, Directors and their friends. The Coy. has received from the subscribers an aggregate sum of Rs. 35,970 as on the 19th of February, 1944, and further payments are coming in.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. MURLI KUNDANMAL RAMCHANDANI, Esq., Director, Mehar Electric Co., Merchant & Landlord, 30, Jamshed Quarter, Bunder Road Extension, Karachi.
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MANAGING AGENTS: Messrs. M. P. LALVANI & CO.

THIS IS NOT A PROSPECTUS BUT AN ANNOUNCEMENT ONLY.

A copy of the Prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, Karachi.

For further particulars, please apply to Managing Agents Messrs. M. P. LALVANI & CO., Hassanally Building, Bunder Road, Karachi or from Messrs. U. S. DESAI, Share Brokers, Agha Khan Building, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.

THE CEMENT MARKETING CO. OF INDIA, LTD.

The public are hereby informed that with effect from the 17th March, 1944, the correct maximum price for all brands of ordinary Portland Cement marketed by us in Bombay is :

Rs. 70/- per ton in waggon loads & ex-wharf

Rs. 73/12 per ton or **Rs. 3/11** per bag ex-our godown.

If you are asked to pay more than the above rates please communicate immediately with the Company at the following address.

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Esplanade House, - - - Fort, BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WAR DEPARTMENT

I.S.D. INSPECTION CIRCLE,
BOMBAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Science Graduates and Under Graduates (not below Inter Science F.Scs.) with Science subjects (Chemistry and Physics), for training and appointment as Temporary Officiating Assistant Supervisors of Stores (Textiles), in this Department. The selected candidates will have to undergo training for a period of three months during which they will be entitled to stipends of Rs. 50|- p.m. in addition to the usual dearness allowance (which is Rs. 16|- p.m. at present.)

After satisfactorily completing the training course and passing the necessary tests, the candidates will be absorbed in this Department as temporary Officiating Assistant Supervisors of Stores, (Textiles) on Rs. 65|- p.m. with the usual Dearness Allowance; the Government do not guarantee any appointment after the period of training unless (a) the candidates pass the necessary tests and their work and conduct during the period have been satisfactory and (b) posts of Assistant Supervisors of Stores (Textiles) are vacant against which they could be absorbed.

Women candidates with the requisite qualifications are also eligible for admission to the course.

After the training, the candidates will have to serve in Bombay and Suburbs only.

A FEW POSTS ARE RESERVED FOR MUSLIMS, SCHEDULED CLASSES AND OTHER MINORITY COMMUNITIES.

Applications should be submitted immediately on the prescribed form (obtainable from this office free of cost).

CONTROLLER OF INSPECTION.
Feltham House, Graham Road,
Ballard Estate, Bombay.

(8156)

NOTICE

Applications for the following posts are invited by the Controller of Government Grain Shops, Council Hall, Bombay.

(1) TEMPORARY INSPECTORS on Rs. 120|- per month. Qualification: Graduates.
(2) CASHIERS on Rs. 60|- per month. Qualification: Matriculation. A cash deposit of Rs. 400|- is required.

Dearness allowance of Rs: 14|- per month in both cases.

Those domiciled in the Bombay Province only need apply.

(8164)

THE EASTERN FEDERAL UNION INSURANCE CO. LTD.

Head Office: 9, Clive Street, Calcutta.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Meeting of Life Policyholders of the Company for the election of three Directors under Section 48 of the Insurance Act, 1938, will be held at the Head Office of the Company on THURSDAY, the 22nd June, 1944, at 3-00 p.m.

Policyholders who desire to attend the Meeting must apply to the Company for a certificate of admission to the Meeting. These applications must reach the Company not less than two months before the above date of the Meeting when the Company will issue certificates as provided by the Rules either by post or to the policyholder personally on production of the relevant policy.

Applications in writing in English or Bengali language from persons eligible for Directorship must reach the Company by Registered Post not less than two months before the date of the Meeting. It must mention the name, address, the number and the amount of the sums insured by the policy by virtue of which election is sought.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. A. AZIZ ANSARI,
Resident Director.
18th March, 1944.

(8120)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts in the Naval Store Department:—

STENOGRAPHER—Rs. 125 x 5—180 plus Rs. 14 Dearness Allowance. Speed 120 WORDS P.M. SHORTHAND. 40|60 WORDS TYPING.

TYPISTS.—Rs. 59 x 3—80 Plus Rs. 14 Dearness Allowance, SPEED AT LEAST 40 WORDS PER MINUTE.

Apply in writing with copies of Testimonials to S.N.S.O., India, Albert Building, Hornby Road, Bombay by 22|3|1944.

(8171)

WANTED

TWO LADY SOCIAL WORKERS for the Raigarh State in C.P. They will have to move among womenfolk in both rural and urban areas and do all that might help to improve their cultural standard. The posts will carry scaled salary with benefits of State Provident Fund, Travelling allowance and free Houses. Candidates are requested to apply on or before March 30, 1944, to the undersigned, stating age, academic qualifications, specific qualities for the posts and salary that will satisfy them, with testimonials. Marriage is no restriction; on the other hand efforts might be made for employment in the State of qualified husbands. Languages spoken by the commonfolk in the State are Chhattisgari and Oria, but all can understand simple Hindi.

M. MANSINHA.
Educational Adviser, Eastern States, Sambalpur.
8098

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
Suit No. 1085 of 1943.

PARWATIBAI ..... Plaintiff
vs.
GANGABAI. ..... Defendant.

PURSUANT to Consent Decree and Decretal Order of Reference, dated the 12th day of October, 1943, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on MONDAY, 17th April, 1944, at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.)

PARTICULARS

All that piece of Fazandari land with dwelling house thereon at and between Hamal Street and Bora Street in Lower Colaba, Bombay and bearing Municipal A Ward No. 703, Old Street Nos. 90-92 and New Street No. 33A, Hamal Street and forming part of land bearing Collector's New Survey No. 9570 and C. S. No. 160 of Colaba Division admeasuring 68, 71|180 square yards or thereabouts.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. Pathare and Liladhar, Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed at No. 36, Tamarind Lane, Tamarind House, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1944.

ARMAND F. SEQUEIRA,
Commissioner.
(8159)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. B. P. GHARDA, F.S.A.A., A.C.I.S., R.A., Incorporated Accountant practising as an Accountant & Auditor under the name and style of B. P. Gharda & Co., at 121, Mahatma Gandhi Road (Esplanade Road) has admitted into partnership with him Mr. C. R. Mucadum, B.Com., A.S.A.A., G.D.A., R.A., Incorporated Accountant (Late Income-tax Officer) from the 1st day of March, 1944.

CRAWFORD BAYLEY & CO.,
Attorneys for
Messrs. B. P. Gharda & Co.
(8162)

PUBLIC NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY
NOTIFICATION.

IN SUPERSESSION of this Department Notification No. SS|146, dated 14th January, 1943, as amended from time to time, it is hereby notified for the information of the public and especially to all those taking part in the timber trade that should Government at any time find it necessary to requisition timber or bamboo matting of the kinds and descriptions given in the attached schedule in the possession of any one in Bombay city and suburban areas, the compensation which Government will pay will be on the basis of the actual costs to the owners plus a reasonable margin of profits, but will, under no circumstances, exceed the rates shown below.

Schedule of maximum prices for sawn timber and Bamboo Matting in the Bombay City and Suburban Area.

PRICE EX-TIMBER GODOWNS

ITEM I.—GENERAL SCANTLING SIZES AND FLITCHES.

(i) Sawn timber 3" x 1" to 12" x 4" cross-section, length 6' & up.
(ii) Sawn flitches 12" x 5" to 18" x 8 cross-section; length 8' & up.

(Note. The prices given below are the same for scantlings and flitches).

SPECIES	per cft.
(a) Hopea, Aini, Bijasal	Rs. 4|12|-
(b) Gurjan, Kindal	,, 4|8|-
(c) Vellapne, Poon, Pali, Chorapine, Venteak Matti, Dhaman.	,, 4| -|-
(d) Kulirumavu, Kayini, Vagai	,, 3|10|-
(e) Mango Mixed Red and White junglewood and other miscellaneous hardwood species	,, 3| -8|-

ITEM II—PLANKS of the above hardwood species and also of softwoods such as Bombax (Semal), Terameles (Cheeni) etc. all lengths and thicknesses: ½", 5|8", ¾" and 7|8".

	per cft.
(a) Width—3" to under 6"	Rs. 4|0|-
,, 6" and above	,, 4|4|-

ITEM III.—REEPERS & BATTENS of the abovementioned species. All cross-sections under 3" x 1" Rs. 3|8|- per cft.

ITEM IV.—TEAK & ROSEWOOD.

(a) Planks Thickness less than 2"	Length under 8'	Length 8' & over
Width (1) 3" to under 6'	Rs. 7|12|- per cft.	Rs. 8|4|- per cft.
(2) 6" & up	,, 8|8|- per cft	Rs. 9|-|- per cft.

(b) REEPERS AND BATTENS
All cross-sections less than 3"x2" Rs.4|-|- per cft. Rs. 4|8|- per cft.

(c) SCANTLINGS ETC.
All sawn sizes not classified under (a) and (b) above Rs. 7|8|- per cft. Rs. 8|-|- per cft

ITEM V. BAMBOO MATTING. Rs 30|-|- per 1000 Sq. ft.

NOTE: 1. For special fixed lengths, where not accompanied by other lengths under items I to IV inclusive, an additional 6 annas extra per Cft. may be allowed. This may also be allowed for all pieces over 12 ft. long.

2. For special fixed cross-sections, where not accompanied by other cross-sections, an extra 8 annas per cft. may be allowed in the case of scantlings. (Item I and item IV (c) above.) This does not apply to planks, reepers and battens.

This Schedule will be in force until further orders from the Government of India.

M. B. L. DAR,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.
(8160)

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for about 25 posts of temporary clerks for the duration of war, on scale Rs. 30-4-50; starting pay will be, Matriculates Rs. 30|-, Intermediates Rs. 34|-, and Graduates Rs. 46|-. They will in addition be entitled to 20 p.c. Bombay allowance, plus Rs. 16|- p.m. Dearness Allowance. Suitably experienced men will be started on a higher pay in the scale. Minimum educational qualification required is matriculation.

Applications must be submitted on prescribed forms which can be had at Re. 1|- each. Forms will not be sent by V.P.P. Last date for receiving application is 3-4-44. Apply to the Controller of Stores, B.B. & C.I. Railway, Mahalaxmi, Bombay No. 11.

(8165)

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